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REMARKS

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1. At 1000 on 27 January 1955, 2 lieutenant colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia, a lieutenant colonel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and 2 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets left the second train which arrived at the Goepfritz (O 49/R 64) railroad station from Vienna.
2. On 27 January 1955, 4 lieutenant colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 2 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia, 4 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and 2 majors wearing black-bordered black epaulets were observed in Allentsteig (O 49/R 53). Motor vehicles observed in the area of the town included trucks [redacted] sedan [redacted] and van-like motor vehicle [redacted] with drivers wearing black-bordered red epaulets; truck [redacted] jeep [redacted] van-like motor [redacted] with a driver wearing black-bordered black epaulets. Sedan [redacted] with a driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets was parked in front of the komendatura. Numerous fresh imprints caused by track-laying vehicles were observed on the Allentsteig-Zwettl (O 49/R 42) road. [redacted] tanks again travelled at night. The reports of guns were also heard by day and night.

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Comment. The 344th Gds How Arty Regt of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div is stationed at Allentsteig. Firing practices of individual component units of the units stationed in East Austria are held at the Doellersheim training grounds.

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